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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 25 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. 4057th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in East Timor

   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in East Timor (S/1999/1024)

Morning* consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Iraq

Letter dated 12 October 1999 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1999/1053)

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Briefing by the Secretariat

Other matters

* To be held following the adjournment of the 4057th meeting.

Announcement

The Security Council will hold a *private meeting* in the Security Council Chamber at 10.30 a.m., on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, at which it will hear a briefing by Mr. Jacques Paul Klein, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Coordinator of United Nations Operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Member States wishing to attend may do so pursuant to rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 38th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Credentials of representatives to the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly: first report of the Credentials Committee (A/54/475) [3 (b)]

2. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations: note by the Secretary-General (A/54/398 and Corr.1 (French only)) [7]

3. Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of twenty-nine members of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme [16 (b)]

4. Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments: appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: note by the Secretary-General (A/54/107) [17 (g)]

5. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference [29]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/308);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.12)

6. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System [32]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/53/420);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.13)

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 15th meeting Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects; introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64, 65 and 67 to 85 *(continued)*

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/54/INF.1)]

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m. 14th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [87] (A/54/20, A/C.4/54/8, A/CONF.184/6)

WORKING GROUP OF THE WHOLE ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF OUTER SPACE

Afternoon*-6 p.m. closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the 14th meeting of the Fourth Committee.

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 20th meeting Conference Room 2

Environment and sustainable development [100] (A/54/25 and Add.1, A/54/80, A/54/98, A/54/212, A/C.2/54/5)

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity (A/54/428)

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (A/54/96)

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/C.2/54/4)

Introductory statements and general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. | 21st meeting | Conference Room 2

1. Environment and sustainable development [100]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.7

2. Operational activities for development [101]

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.5 and A/C.2/54/L.6

3. Environment and sustainable development [100] (A/54/25 and Add.1, A/54/212, A/54/80, A/54/98, A/C.2/54/5)

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(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (A/54/96)

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/C.2/54/4)

Continuation of general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. | 22nd meeting | Conference Room 1

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [106]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.9/Rev.1

2. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [114] (A/54/18, A/54/98, A/54/299, A/54/347)

3. Right of peoples to self-determination [115] (A/54/98, A/54/118-S/1999/633, A/54/326, A/54/327)

Conclusion of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. | 14th meeting | Conference Room 3

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [117] (A/54/5/Add.5, A/54/140 and Add.1, A/54/159, A/54/165, A/54/441, A/C.5/54/3 and A/54/7)

Introduction and general discussion

2. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [118]

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

(A/53/811, A/54/157 and Add.1, A/54/334 and Add.1, A/54/367, A/54/410 and A/54/413)

Introduction and general discussion

3. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services

(A/54/169, A/54/335 and A/54/394)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m. | informal consultations (closed) | Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/54/11))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m. | 15th meeting | Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-first session [155] (A/54/10 and Corr.1 and 2)

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 40 (b)

Informal consultations facilitated by the delegation of the United States of America on the draft resolution on agenda item 40 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held on Monday, 25 October, and Thursday, 28 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 25 October 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(draft resolution on International Year of Older Persons)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(draft resolutions on international migration and implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II))

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

6.15 p.m.-7.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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There will be a meeting to pay tribute to the memory of the first President of the United Republic of Tanzania, H.E. Mr. Julius K. Nyerere, on Monday, 25 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1. Media Correspondents are invited to cover the event.

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There will be a meeting, organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union, of Parliamentarians attending the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly on Monday, 25 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be chaired by Dr. Najma Akbarali Heptulla, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Council. All Parliamentarians are invited to attend.

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There will be a meeting of the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament on Monday, 25 October 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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There first meeting of Legal Advisers will be held on Monday, 25 October 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations will be held on the plenary draft resolution on the follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons on Monday, 25 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room E.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

The potential co-sponsors and interested delegations will hold a meeting, organized by the delegation of Canada, on the First Committee draft resolution under agenda item 68 (Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification) on Monday, 25 October 1999, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Announcement

As from Friday, 1 October 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). In the event that room S-226 is occupied at that time, the briefing will take place in the Security Council Quiet Room.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 26 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 39th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Report of the International Court of Justice (A/54/4) [13]

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [26]:

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/180);

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.14)

3. Observer status for the Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries in the General Assembly : draft resolution (A/54/L.15) [171]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 2

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	15th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon**	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 15th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 16th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	16th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

THIRD COMMITTEE

On Wednesday, 27 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1, the Third Committee will hold a dialogue with Mr. Olara Otunnu (Secretary-General's Representative on Children and Armed Conflict), Ms. Ofelia Calcetos-Santos (Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography), Mr. Juan Somavia (Director-General of the International Labour Organization), Ms. Carol Bellamy (Executive Director of UNICEF) and the representatives of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. The dialogue will initiate the Third Committee's discussion of agenda item 112 (Promotion and protection of the rights of children).

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The Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will hold closed informal consultations with members of the Committee on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room D to continue discussions on the draft resolution on agenda item 18 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples).

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The Committee on Relations with the Host Country will hold its 199th meeting on Wednesday, 27 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional agenda will be as follows:

1. Draft report of the Committee (A/AC.154/1999/CRP.1)

2. Other matters

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The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold its 247th meeting on Wednesday, 27 October 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The Committee on Information will resume its twenty-first session on Monday, 1 November 1999, to consider the report of the Secretary-General on the multilingual development, maintenance and enrichment of United Nations Web sites (A/AC.198/1999/9). For further information, delegations may contact the Committee secretariat at (212) 963-7216.

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The 1999 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Tuesday, 2 November 1999, and on Wednesday, 3 November 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G; tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 5973; fax: (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open from Monday, 25 October, to Tuesday, 2 November 1999.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The resumed session of the Economic and Social Council will take place on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber. The provisional agenda is contained in document E/1999/120*. The agenda items to be discussed on 26 October are the following:

1. Non-governmental organizations [12]

   Status of Christian Solidarity International

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* To be issued.

2. Economic and environmental questions [13]

   (a) Sustainable development

   Report of the Committee on Development Policy: graduation of Maldives from the list of Least Developed Countries;

   (g) Transportation of dangerous goods

3. Date of election of the President of the Council for the year 2000 [1]

4. Other matters

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There will be a meeting between the Economic and Social Council and the Board of Directors of the International Monetary Fund on Thursday, 28 October 1999, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will cover the outcomes of the September meeting of the Interim Committee of the International Monetary Fund and of the annual substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, as well as major issues before the General Assembly, highly indebted poor countries and poverty eradication, and post conflict peace building.

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M. Patrick Guillaumont (France), a member of the Committee for Development Policy, will hold follow-up discussions with delegations (including any national experts who wish to participate) on the proposals of the Committee for the revision of the criteria for the identification of least developed countries, on Thursday, 28 October 1999, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The third session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention will take place from 15 to 26 November 1999 in Recife, Brazil. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 22 to 24 November 1999. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 6 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment on 22 and 23 November is now open in New York. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this segment are requested to contact the office of the Secretary of the Conference of the Parties (Ms. June Chesney; tel.: (212) 963-5742; fax: (212) 963-5935).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Recife on Monday, 15 November.

The provisional agenda and the organization of work contained in document ICCD/COP(3)/1 can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site at the following address: http://www.unccd.de

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Informal briefing

At the request of interested delegations, Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, will hold an informal briefing on the latest developments in the framework of the Convention and give an update on the preparations for the Third Conference of the Parties (Recife, Brazil, 15-26 November 1999). The briefing, originally scheduled for Tuesday, 26 October 1999, will now take place on Friday, 29 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 11. a.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETING OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. and from 6.15 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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There second meeting of Legal Advisers will be held on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be meeting of the Group of 77 of the Third Committee *(briefing by Mr. Juan Somavia, Director-General of the International Labour Organization)* on Wednesday, 27 October 1999, at 3.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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The NGO Committee on Human Rights will sponsor a meeting on the future direction of the United Nations human rights work and a report of the last special session of the Commission on Human Rights on Wednesday, 27 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Seminar

The World Bank is organizing a seminar entitled "Providing Deeper, Broader and Faster Debt Relief Through the Highly Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) Initiative". The seminar will be presented by Mr. Axel van Trotsenburg of the World Bank and will serve as a contribution to the Second Committee's consideration of agenda item 97 (e) (External debt crisis and development). The seminar, chaired by Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), Vice Chairman of the Second Committee, will take place on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, from 130 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Briefing

On the occasion of the forthcoming visit of Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO), Mr. Juan Somavia, the New York Liaison Office of the ILO will host a dialogue between Mr. Somavia and non-governmental organizations. The dialogue will provide an opportunity for Mr. Somavia to brief non-governmental organizations on the work of the ILO. The dialogue will take place on Wednesday, 27 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of the permanent missions, Secretariat staff and the representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Rhitu Siddharth (tel.: (212) 909-7810).

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Presentation

There will be a presentation of the United Nations Development Programme on NetAid to the Second Committee of the General Assembly on Wednesday, 27 October 1999, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4. All members of permanent missions, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday, 4 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and Friday, 5 November 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Friday, 29 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 22 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4054th meeting

The situation in Sierra Leone

Eighth report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (S/1999/1003)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Nigeria and Sierra Leone, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President extended and invitation under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Olara Otunnu, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1999/1069, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict.

Statements were made by the representatives of Sierra Leone and Nigeria.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/1999/1069) before it.

Before the vote statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States, Malaysia, France, the Gambia, the Netherlands, China, Brazil, Argentina, Canada and Bahrain.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1999/1069) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1270 (1999).

4055th meeting

The situation in Afghanistan

Report of the Secretary-General (S/1999/994)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Afghanistan, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1999/29).

4056th meeting

The situation in the Central African Republic

Eighth report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic (S/1999/1038)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of the Central African Republic, at her request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1999/1078, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/1999/1078) before it.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States and China.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1999/1078) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1271 (1999).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 14th meeting

The Under-Secretary-General, the legal counsel, Mr. Hans Corell made a statement in connection with the statement circulated by the Director General of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) on 19 October 1999.

Thematic discussion on item subjects, introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64, 65 and 67 to 85

The Committee continued its second stage of work (thematic discussion on item subjects; introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64, 65 and 67 to 85).

A statement was made by the representative of Hungary.

The representative of Hungary introduced draft resolution A/C.1/54/L.19.

SECOND COMMITTEE 18th meeting

Environment and sustainable development [100]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Director of the Regional Office for North America of the United Nations Environment Programme and the representative of the Energy and Transport Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, the Russian Federation, Mexico, Indonesia, Norway, Cyprus, China, the Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Zimbabwe and Cuba.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the World Meteorological Organization.

Organization of work

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

19th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Japan, Belarus, India, the Philippines, Pakistan, Nigeria, Kenya, Argentina, Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Poland, Australia, Bulgaria and Guatemala.

The representative of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was informed that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 100 and sub-item (a) had been extended until Wednesday, 3 November, at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE 21st meeting

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [114]

Right of peoples to self-determination [115]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Greece, Liechtenstein, China, Algeria, Cuba, Pakistan, Israel, Venezuela, Cyprus, India, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Nigeria.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 13th meeting

Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor [169]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Egypt, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.4.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of New Zealand (on behalf of Canada, Australia and New Zealand), Japan and the United States.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [119]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Development Account: Modalities for operating the Account

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Uganda, coordinator of informal consultations on this question, made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.11/Rev.1.

In light of the statement made by the coordinator, the representative of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement and withdrew draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.7.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.11/Rev.1 without a vote.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Japan, Cuba, New Zealand (on behalf of Canada, Australia and New Zealand), Pakistan and the United States.

The representatives of Panama and the Syrian Arab Republic also made statements regarding corrections in the Spanish and Arabic versions of the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question under this agenda item.

Organization of work

Statements were made the representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Cuba.

The Chairman also made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 14th meeting

Establishment of the International Criminal Court [158]

Statements were made by the representatives of Liechtenstein, Uganda, Indonesia, Slovenia, Kenya, Poland, Madagascar, Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of CARICOM), Burkina Faso, Sierra Leone, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Israel, Haiti and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Observer for the International Committee of the Red Cross also made a statement.

The representatives of Israel, Lebanon and the Syrian Arab Republic made statements in exercise of the right of reply.

The Chairman also spoke.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on the item.

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Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Sixty-seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 22 OCTOBER 1999

1791st and 1792nd meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [6]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of the Republic of Korea (CCPR/C/114/Add.1).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special events

In connection with the celebration of United Nations Day, Mrs. Nane Annan will take part in a special event for children, "When you wish upon a star", *today*, 23 October 1999, at 10 a.m. on the Visitors' Plaza. The event is co-sponsored by the Department of Public Information, in collaboration with the Walt Disney Company. There will be live appearances by characters from Disney animated films, and by young actor Haley Joel Osment. The Disney characters and Mr. Osment will present Mrs. Annan with a time capsule that will contain wishes and dreams of children around the world for the new millennium. Mrs. Annan and Mr. Osment will be the first to place their wishes in the capsule. Following the event on the Visitors' Plaza, there will be free screenings of the film "Pinocchio" at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, for children of delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations.

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The Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations will hold a special event on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Pontifical Mission for Palestine on Monday, 25 October 1999, from 5 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council on Monday, 25 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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Disarmament Week

The Department for Disarmament Affairs, in collaboration with the Department of Public Information and the NGO Committee on Disarmament (New York), will hold a series of panel discussions to take place during Disarmament Week of 1999. On Monday, 25 October 1999, a panel discussion on "Disarmament and Development: Transparency, accountability and good governance" will be held at 10 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, and a panel on "Small arms initiatives" will be held at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

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Exhibit

H.E. Mr. Francesco Paolo Fulci (Italy) will inaugurate an exhibition entitled "The Three-Cornered Island - Sicilian Cartography from the sixteenth to mid-nineteenth century" on Monday, 25 October 1999, at 5.30 p.m. in the first basement of the Secretariat Building (near the Viennese Café). Members of permanent missions, Secretariat Staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Photography exhibit

The photography exhibit entitled "Images of the Twentieth Century", from the Florentine photography archives and the Museum "Fratelli Alinari", organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, in cooperation with the Department of Public Information, will be on display until Friday, 5 November 1999, at the Visitors' Entrance of the Secretariat Building. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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